

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

- 1.-7. (Canceled)
8. (New) A driver assistance system for a motor vehicle, comprising:
 - an arrangement for providing at least one assistance function that is to be used only under a particular precondition;
 - an acquisition device for acquiring data concerning a locality in which the vehicle is traveling; and
 - a blocking device for blocking the assistance function if the acquired data indicates that the precondition is not met.
9. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 8, wherein:
 - the assistance function is a low speed following function that controls the vehicle in such a way that the vehicle follows another vehicle traveling in front at a suitable distance, and
 - the assistance function is also capable of being used at speeds below 30 km/h if a local condition allows this.
10. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 9, wherein:
 - the assistance function brakes the vehicle automatically to a standstill if the other vehicle traveling in front comes to a stop.
11. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the acquisition device includes a navigation system.
12. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 11, wherein:
 - the navigation system includes an intelligent navigation system in which roadway characteristics are stored that indicate whether the precondition for the assistance function is met on a respective roadway.

13. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the acquisition device includes a telematics receiving device.
14. (New) The driver assistance system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the acquisition device includes a video sensor apparatus for recognizing a town entry sign and a town exit sign.